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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
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EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

**EXTENSION OF EXISTING CONTRACT WITH
AFFILIATED COMPUTER SERVICES INCORPORATED AND
THE CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL FOR CONTINUATION OF
THE AUTOMATED RED LIGHT PHOTO ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM
PURSUANT TO THE CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE
(ALL SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS)
(3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

This action is to extend and amend the current contract with both Affiliated Computer Services Incorporated and the California Highway Patrol for the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program for a period of 1 year with an optional 1-year extension at the 8 existing intersections within the unincorporated Los Angeles County.

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Find that the proposed extension and amendment of the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program are exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.
2. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute an amendment to Contract PW12757 with Affiliated Computer Services Incorporated, for an extension of a 1-year period, with an additional 1-year option, for a not-to-exceed fee of \$670,320 per year.

3. Authorize the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a supplemental agreement to the California Highway Patrol Agreement 3R501001 for a 1-year period, with an additional 1-year option, for a not-to-exceed fee of \$100,000 per year.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On April 6, 2004, your Board approved and authorized the Director of Public Works (Public Works) to enter into an agreement with Affiliated Computer Services (ACS) Incorporated for the implementation of an Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program at the following 8 intersections:

No.	SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT	AREA	INTERSECTIONS
1	1	Rowland Heights	Colima Road at Batson Avenue
2	1	East Los Angeles	Whittier Boulevard at Atlantic Boulevard
3	1	East Los Angeles	1st Street at Eastern Avenue
4	2	El Segundo	La Cienega Boulevard at 120th Street
5	3	Los Angeles	Wilshire Boulevard at Sepulveda Boulevard
6	4	East Whittier	Telegraph Road at Colima Road
7	4	Whittier	Carmenita Road at Leffingwell Road
8	5	Glendora	Hollenbeck Avenue at Cypress Street

The agreement with ACS Incorporated provides specialized equipment and labor in photographing violators of red lights at the specified highway intersections, while the agreement with the California Highway Patrol (CHP) provides financing for their work in review of the photographic record of the violation and providing enforcement support for each citation issued under the program. These contracts are set to expire on April 5, 2009.

Collisions caused by failure to stop for red lights are among the most severe, often resulting in significant injury or fatality. The purpose of red light photo enforcement is to encourage good driving behavior and increase traffic safety by reducing these types of collisions, as well as reducing the number of red-light running incidents.

Our most recent comprehensive analysis of the collision rates for the 8 current program intersections, as of August 30, 2008, showed a 31 percent reduction in the number of right-angle-type collisions that are attributed to red-light running. This reduction in collisions shows an overall improvement in intersection safety, which is beneficial when

considering the health and cost savings to motorists, alleviation in emergency response efforts, and reduction in intersection delays.

Automated red light photo enforcement requires the use of specialized equipment owned and operated by ACS Incorporated. Therefore, extension of the contract with ACS Incorporated enables the continued utilization of the ACS-owned automated red light photo enforcement equipment already installed at the 8 existing intersections without experiencing an interruption in service. In addition, this contract extension includes contract cost saving measures, such as re-use of existing equipment and digital video at two locations. The use of digital technology will result in less cost since ACS Incorporated will not need to retrieve and process wet film at the selected locations.

The enforcement of moving violations on County highways is the responsibility of the CHP. Therefore, extending our contract with the CHP will allow for continued enforcement of moving traffic violations under the program. The CHP has indicated their strong support for the continuation of the program, as well as their participation in this program to provide the appropriate enforcement.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Service Excellence (Goal 1) and Community Services (Goal 6) by enhancing the quality of life for residents in these communities, as continuation of the program will enhance highway safety through a reduction in the frequency of red-light running collisions and enhance service delivery through effective continuation of our contract with a private vendor.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

Sufficient funds to finance the extension of both the ACS Incorporated contract and the CHP contract are included in the adopted Fiscal Years 2008-09 and 2009-10 proposed Internal Service Fund Budget. The amended contract provides that the County will pay a not-to-exceed fee of \$670,320 annually to ACS Incorporated for their work. Additionally, the County, under the amended agreement with CHP, will reimburse their actual costs, up to \$100,000 annually. If we recommend exercising the 1-year option to extend the contracts to April 5, 2011, we will first ensure that the appropriate fiscal year Internal Service Fund Budget request includes the program costs. The budgeted program amount for these contracts is \$1,275,200 annually. In the event that any budget reductions occur in any future fiscal year throughout the program, provisions remain in the contract for the County to consider termination at any time.

On average, this program generates approximately 2,150 citations per year. Assuming that every citation issued results in a fine paid by the motorists, then the program would generate \$285,000 in revenue. Revenues collected by the County from the citations issued for the existing locations will continue to be used to offset the cost of the program. Fines received by the County are deposited directly into the Internal Service Fund.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

California Vehicle Code Section 21455.5 allows the use of an automated enforcement system at signalized intersections. The automated system's presence must be identified by signs clearly indicating its presence. Automated systems are located at 8 intersections which meet the criteria specified in Section 21455.7.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

The proposed extension and amendment of the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to California Code of Regulations Section 15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the activity in question may have a significant effect on the environment.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On April 6, 2004, your Board authorized Public Works to execute a consultant services agreement with ACS Incorporated following a Request for Proposal (RFP) process. In addition, your Board authorized Public Works to sign an agreement with the CHP to review the photographic record of the violation and provide enforcement support for each citation that is issued under the program.

On April 5, 2009, the current contracts will expire. Letting the contracts expire will result in an interruption in service to the Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program. Public Works is recommending the one-time extension of these contracts for an additional period of 1 year, with a 1-year option, during which time Public Works will research the benefits of continuing the program and prepare a new RFP if appropriate. At any time, the contract may be terminated by the County if we determine that it does not meet program objectives.

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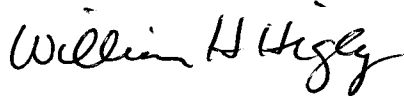
IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

The continued implementation and management of the existing Automated Red Light Photo Enforcement Program will not result in the displacement of any County employees, nor will it impact current services.

CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Traffic and Lighting Division. Also, please forward a copy of this letter to the Auditor-Controller, Tax Division (Attention Kelvin Aikens).

Respectfully submitted,



for GAIL FARBER
Director of Public Works

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Chief Executive Office (Lari Sheehan)
County Counsel (Warren Wellen)